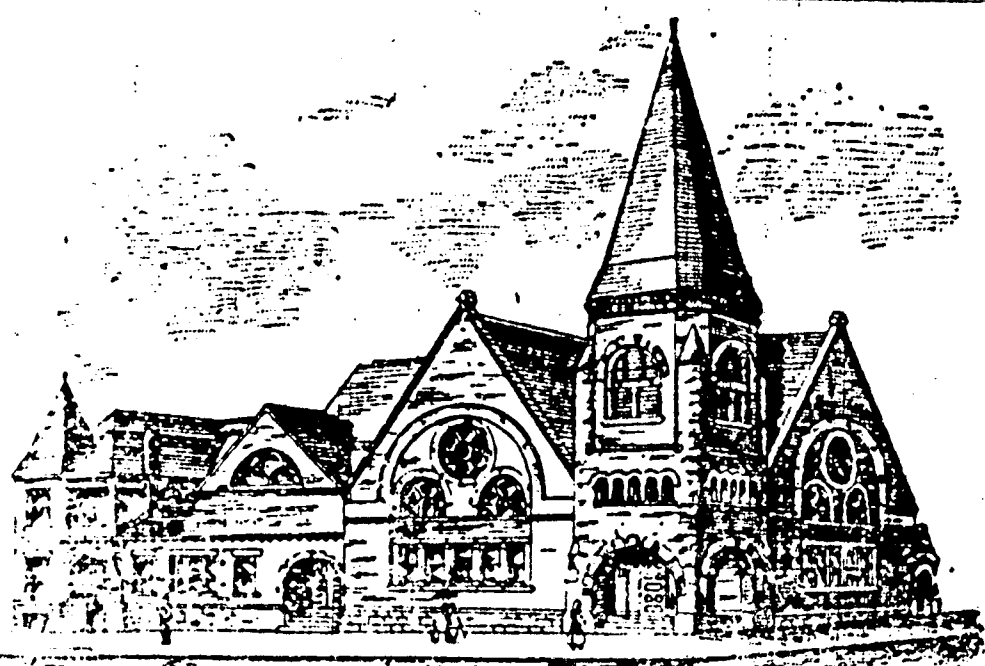


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ST. PAUL CHAPEL, 2300 LAWTON AVE., REV. W. D. COOK, PASTOR.

Fourth Semi-Annual Reception

The hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Jones, at 315 South Twenty-second street, where so many social gatherings are held, opened wide its doors to welcome the Ladies' Noonday Social club, Wednesday, November 29. The club ladies that were not present have much to regret. At 9:30 a short programme was rendered by the club ladies. First opening chorus by the club, lead by Mrs. P. S. Ming; second, welcome address by Mrs. Mattie V. Shelby; third, response by Mrs. Mamie Edwards; fourth, instrumental solo by Prof. L. H. Patterson, of this city; fifth, duet by Mrs. Alice Jones and Mary A. Lawrence; sixth, paper by Mrs. Mattie Robinson; seventh, instrumental solo by Miss Hattie Nowell, of Greenville, Ill.; eighth, recitation from Dunbar by Mrs. J. Lawless; ninth, solo by Mrs. M. A. Lawrence; tenth, paper by Mrs. Eva G. Boldan; eleventh, solo by Mrs. Alice Jones. The guests were further entertained by some very complimentary remarks by Rev. W. L. Batchelor, of Covington, Tenn., and Rev. P. C. Christmas, also the loving singing by Mr. T. L. P. H. Davis, Master Harrison-Foster and Mrs. Elizabeth Patterson. At the close of the programme refreshments were served by Mr. S. Rodgers and Arthur Holden. The out of town guests were: Mrs. Lucy McClain and Mrs. Nettie Thomas, of Edwardsville, Ill.; Miss Hattie Nowell, of Greenville, Ill.; Rev. and Mrs. W. L. Batchelor, of Covington, Tenn.; Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Ramsey, of Toledo, O.; Mr. C. L. Burke, of Webster Groves, Mo.; and Mr. T. L. P. H. Davis, of Indianapolis, Ind. Many that were present space will not allow their names to appear. A very enjoyable evening was spent. Each guest on leaving gave words of praise to the club ladies for the royal and yet homelike manner in which they were treated.

Grand Scenic Spectacle.

Strictly first class and up to date. Illuminated, artistic exhibition by Prof. W. G. Hynes, Tennessee's famous exhibitor. He has a wonderful, attractive exhibition. First week in the city. Opening engagements with special exhibition at Central Baptist church, corner Twenty-third and Morgan streets, Rev. G. B. Stevens, pastor, Monday night, December 12, 1904. Programme—Burning of the General Slocum ship at New York city, Wednesday, June 15, 1904. Prologues Theater burning, Tuesday, December 29, 1902. Race pictures and the progress. First part of the Life of Christ in moving pictures. Proceeds for the church. Come one, come all, and help us. Admission, 10 cents. W. G. Hynes, Exhibitor. W. M. Posey, Operator.

Funniest of the Funny.

Prof. John B. Vashon was at his best last Thursday night, at the Douglass hall, in the role of a young maid of sweet sixteen, who only weighs 250 pounds, and as innocent as a girl of ten years of age. Miss Vella Crawford's sweet and melodious voice captured the audience. The old campaigner, James W. Grant, as usual, kept the audience in an uproar of laughter. Really all the company was good. Next week we will quiz the public on the play.

DON'T MISS

The World's Fair Waiters' Christmas Ball,
MONDAY, DECEMBER 26,
At MASONIC TEMPLE.
ADMISSION 25c.
MUSIC BY HARMONY BAND.

BECAUSE I LOVE YOU SO

That Is the Public's Selection, and the Dumas Dramatic Club Will Present It.

Those who read the unique proposition the Dumas Dramatic club offered the public in The Palladium for the last two weeks will be anxious to learn the result. It was left to the public to decide which of the club's former plays they would prefer seeing the club reproduce. The following plays were offered for consideration: "Bound By an Oath," "Because I Love You," "Damon and Pythias," and "Past Redemption," and we are glad to say that the novel idea of selecting a play has met with great success. The drama, "Because I Love You," has been decided on, it being the most popular of the four. It has received a vote of 268. The club feels safe in recommending the play. "Because I Love You," and the rehearsing will begin at once. The costuming and stage settings will be up to the requirements. On account of the club's past experience in this play, we will be able to give a true presentation. Almost the same cast will appear, and in addition a large chorus is to be rehearsed along with the play. We feel very grateful to those who sent in coupons, and will spare no pains to do credit to the play and honor to the club.

GREETING.

To All Concerned:

Although we have been open for business only about three months, we take this opportunity to thank our many friends for the support they have given us so far and to state that we also owe the constantly increasing volume of our business to two facts: We deal with absolute and unswerving fairness with every patron; we handle only goods that will sustain the unrestricted guarantee of their manufacturers and ourselves, so that our customers can have no reason to become dissatisfied.

The stock of each department is large and complete, and receives daily additions, so that we always have what you want in drugs, toilet articles, cigars, candles, stationery and soda. Hot and cold. Wishing all a Merry Xmas and Happy New Year, and hoping to "Meet you at the Fountain."

We are respectfully,
WRIGHT & BOLEN, Druggists,
2333 Market Street.

Y. M. C. A. Notes.

Our meeting last Sunday was addressed by Rev. S. W. Parr. His subject was: "Is the young man safe?" Mrs. Amanda Smith was also present, and gave a very searching and helpful talk to the young men.

Tuesday evening, at the literary society, the programme was the best we have had for several weeks. The attendance was quite large. Comments on President Roosevelt's message will be made at the meeting next Tuesday evening.

Sunday afternoon meetings will be held at Central Baptist church. This is a mass meeting for both men and women. Don't fail to come at 4 p. m.

Palmer's Toilet Balm.

On of the finest toilet creams on the market is this bleach.

We do not recommend this bleach to turn you white, because nature can not be changed. But will guarantee that it will remove all sunburn, pimples, blackheads and blotches. It will make you from two to three shades lighter. It will make the skin clear and natural. Simply rub it into the skin, and it will fade out the color you want. Comes in two shades, pink or white. We will pay \$100 to anyone who can prove that our balm is not just what we recommend. Small size, 50 cents; large size, \$1. Address all letters to Palmer's Toilet & Perfumery Co., 4020 Finney avenue, room 4. Agents wanted everywhere.

Try Palmer's Perspiration Odor Destroyer; only 25 cents per box; 5 boxes for \$1.

Gone South to Spend the Winter.

Mr. Geo. Gallaway, of 2618 Pine, left a few days ago to spend the winter in Florida, the sunny southern state. Mr. Gallaway took a very interesting part in the last election. We wish him a pleasant trip, and hope that he will enjoy his new home.

In an official statement given out by the interior department at Washington, on the 7th, the government's purpose to prosecute every guilty man in the public land frauds to the full extent of the law, and regardless of his position in life, was announced.

Dr. T. A. Curtis, the dentist, has removed from 2603 Lucas avenue to 2645 Lawton avenue, second floor.

SHOT WIFE FULL OF HOLES.

Alonzo Kelly Was Jealous, and Emp-tied Revolver at Her.

The body of Mary Kelly, aged 29, living at 1922 Wash street, who was taken to the city hospital Tuesday morning at an early hour, is literally perforated with bullet holes. Alonzo Kelly, her husband, is responsible for her condition. He emptied the contents of a revolver into her body, and every shot took effect. The woman will die.

Mary Kelly received a bullet in the neck, two in the head, one in the right shoulder and one each in the breast and hand. She suffered a paralytic stroke soon after her arrival at the hospital and lost her power of speech as a result.

The shooting occurred at the home of the Kellys. The husband is said to have been jealous of his wife.

Kelly was arrested shortly after the shooting at the St. Louis Women's club by Special Officers Fox and Delany and taken to the Carr Street station.—St. Louis Star.

We were pained indeed to hear of this most dreadful calamity. Almost without warning, Mrs. Mary Kelly, 29 years of age, was launched into eternity. She lived at 1922 Wash street, with three small children, the oldest not eight years of age. Surely, men who can so far forget the duty they owe to wife and children as to murder the wife of his bosom, and to make three little girls orphans, is not worthy to dwell among men.

A Cer in Minister.

The Little Church on Poplar Street, Near 14th—A Drunkard or a Most Ignorant Man.

Last Monday there was a funeral at the church, of a man that was almost a stranger among us. He died at 1311 Spruce street, at the rooming house of Mrs. White. Several young men of good repute were pallbearers. At the church the so-called minister gave vent to the most ignorant Negro that God ever let live. Men who claim to be of God ought to live and talk so, and men who have churches ought not to allow every man that says he is a minister to fill their pulpits.

North St. Louis in a Boom.

Mrs. D. A. Gordon and Mr. Reed were married on last Tuesday evening.

Miss Lucy Jenkins and Norvico Oneal were married November 30. Had quite a swell affair.

Miss Mary Henderson and Charles Kibby are bride and groom of a month.

Mr. G. W. and M. Bolan are well pleased with married life.

Mr. James Henderson, of 2606 Parrell street, died Sunday, December 4. Buried Wednesday from Metropolitan church.

Miss M. Brown, of 2616 Leffingwell, is at this writing very ill.

Mrs. Hannah Lanson, of 2302 Montgomery street, has returned from a visit to her sister at Jacksonville, Ill.

Mr. L. Burnett, of Lebanon, Ill., is now trying to get a divorce from his wife, Georgia M. Burnett.

The Filipino's have gone. What will become of our lady loves.

Miss Isabella Bolan and Charles Jenkins are among the few to continue the matrimonial path.

A WISE LITTLE BOY.

A teacher was telling a class of boys that they should all be ambitious, even to the hope of some day being president of the United States.

"Every boy who hopes some day to be the president stand up," said the teacher.

All stood up but Freddy, who began to cry.

"Why, Freddie, don't you want to be the president?"

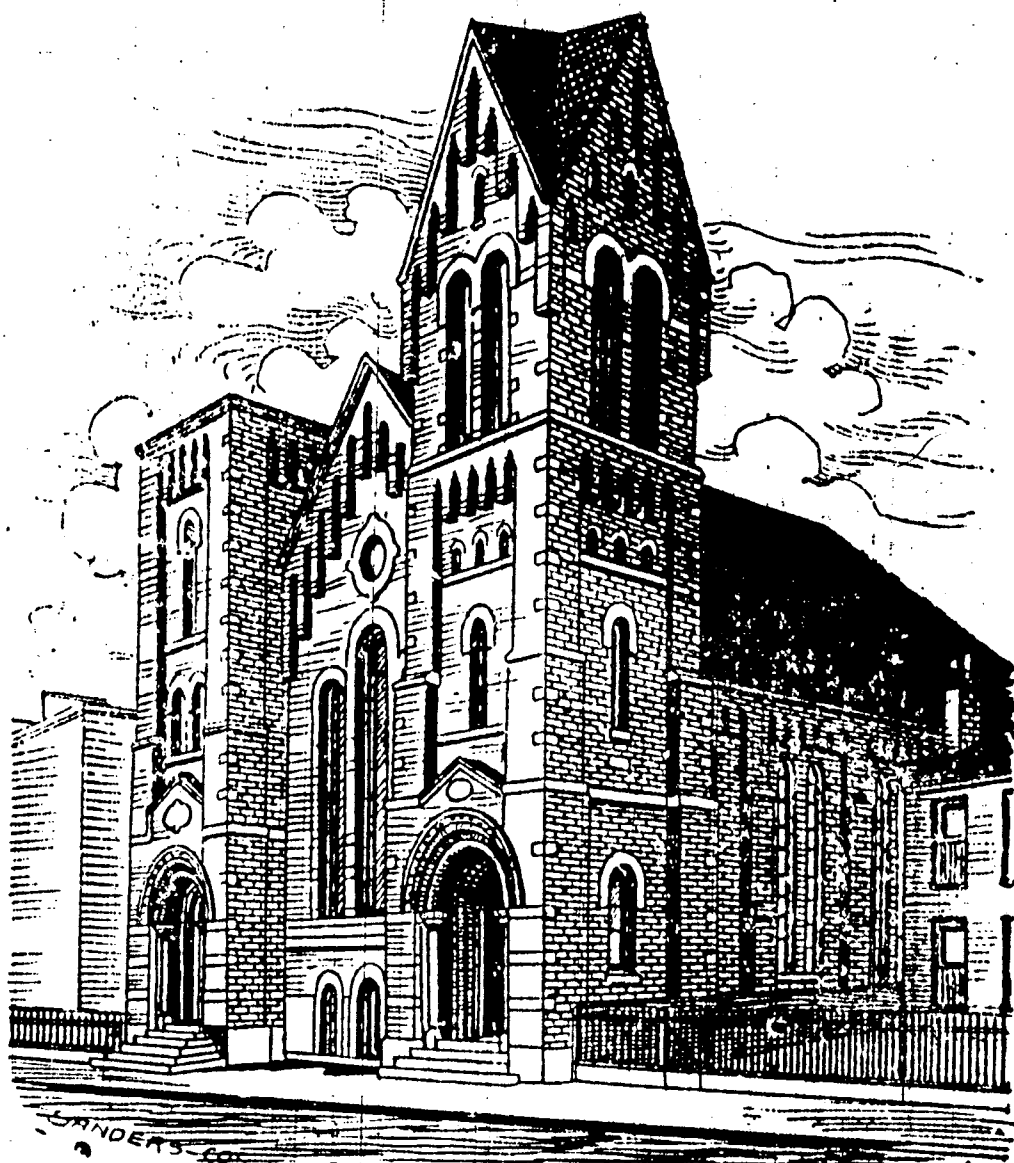
"Boo-hoo!" sobbed Freddie: "yes, ma'am, but I can't."

"Why not?" asked the teacher.

"I'm a democrat."

The Little Barber Shop.

Mr. B. B. Hall, proprietor of the barber shop at 1326 Morgan street, is an up-to-date one. One can go there and his modesty will never suffer a shock. There is a concourse of ministers that congregate in that shop, and the air is always filled with heavenly thoughts. Would there were more places like it where one could go without hearing God's name called in vain. We congratulate the little gentleman upon his way of conducting a shop where men can gather and exchange opinions with God's representatives.



First Baptist Church Notes.

Mrs. J. S. Brockman and baby, of 2724 Mills street, are quite ill at present. Mr. Brockman has also been very ill, but is better at present.

Mrs. Barbara Woods, of 1237 Linden street, is very sick at this writing, December 6. She has lived there for 20 years. She is an excellent Christian.

Mrs. Wilson, of 114 South Rankin avenue, left a few days ago for Dallas, Tex., on business for the True Reformers. We wish her a pleasant trip.

Mrs. S. Rucks, of 2218 Morgan street, is working hard for the best interests of the Carnation club of the First Baptist church. They who work for the Lord shall be repaid ten-fold.

Dr. E. C. Cole preached two sermons at the First Baptist church last Sunday—11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. He baptized two candidates and administered the Lord's supper last Sunday evening.

The play which was written by Mr. Garfield Craven, "The Life of a Country Girl in the City," will be played at the First Baptist church on January 2, 1905. Mr. Craven promises to make this the finest that was ever heard at said church.

Mrs. Laura Parker, of 2218 Morgan, is very sick. She has been one of our subscribers for the past four years. She was married a few months ago to Mr. Parker, who is one of Mr. W. C. Gordon's most reliable men. He is also feeling indisposed at present.

The funeral of Mrs. Spates was preached last Sunday at the above church by Rev. E. M. Lawrence, of the Kayne Avenue Baptist church, of Nashville, Tenn., of which she was a good and faithful member. She died at the home of Madame Nora Lee, her sister-in-law, 1308 Clark avenue.

AFTER THE PARTY.

(By McCutcheon, in Chicago Daily Tribune.)



The Host—"Well, It Was a Great Success. The Ladies Said They Had a Lovely Time. Now I Suppose I'll Have to Figure Up How Much It Set Me Back."